9. Rs. 746 under "31-Scientific, etc., Department Geological Survey"

Mr. C. J. Mathew (*Joint Secretary to Government*) : Sir, I rise to move an additional allotment of Rs. 746 under "31-Scientific, etc., Department—Geological Survey". The posts of the State Geologist and his peon were temporary and their term was to expire on 1st of Kumbham 1120. But as the services of the State Geologist are highly necessary for the development of industries, these posts were made permanent with effect from 1st Kumbham 1120. There is no provision to meet their pay from 1st Kumbham 1120. Hence an additional of Rs. 746 is necessary. I request the House to sanction it.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*) : May I know, Sir, what the Geologist is doing now ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu (*Diwan Peishkar*) : He is surveying various kinds of earth and stones and other things.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): Any report is available ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu (*Diwan Peishkar*) : Yes.

Demand put and carried

10. Rs. 1,500 under "32-Industries (Reserved)—P. C. R."

Mr. C. J. Mathew (*Joint Secretary to Government*) : I rise to move an additional allotment of Re. 1,500 under "32-Industries (Reserved)—P. C. R.". The allotment provided for the P. C. R. works of the Industries Department in the current year's Budget is only Rs. 1,385. But this amount is not sufficient to carry out the P. C. R. works of the Deprrtment satisfactorily, as the contractors demand very high tender rates. Hence I request the House to sanction this additional allotment.

Demand put and carried

11. Rs. 440 under "1-A-(f)-Temporary Establishment"

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu (*Diwan Peishkar*) : I rise to move an additional allotment of Rs. 440 under "1-A-(f)-Temporary Establishment". A clerk on the grade of Rs. 40—60 has been sanctioned to the Diwan Peishkar's Office from 1st Chingam 1120 in connection with the Paliam Settlement. An expenditure of Rs. 440 is required on this account in the current year under Temporary Establishment 1-A-(f). There is no provision in the Budget for the expenditure. Hence the additional allotment. I pray that this allotment may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

12. Rs. 8,500 under "1-Land Revenue—B-Advances—T.A."

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu (*Diwan Peishkar*) : I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 8,500 under "1-Land Revenue—Advances—T. A.". The allotment under T. A. for the Land Revenue Department for 1120 is Rs. 21,120. The balance of Rs. 6,856 available under this item will be hardly insufficient to meet the expenditure for the remaining months. Further increased expenditure under T.A. is anticipated on account of the ensuing Legislative Council Election, War Publicity meetings, etc. An additional allotment of Rs. 8,500 under this is necessary. I pray that this may be sanctioned.

CUT MOTION

***Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** (*Vadakkancheri*) : I rise to move that the allotment of Rs. 8,500 be reduced by one rupee. To urge upon the Government to arrange for more polling areas for the ensuing elections because of the great difficulties of transport. We are on the eve of election and arrangements are being made for holding elections before the monsoon sets in. Unlike the previous elections the one that is going to take place in a short time is one in which the persons who want either by persuation or by threat to resort to the booth find it in the most unenvious position of being not able to have a sort of conveyance from their homes to the polling booths. Even bullock carts are not available. That is the position in which we find ourselves to-day—not to speak motor cars. That statement is one of the realities of the situation which will not be contraverted. It is necessary to have conveyance for the voters who resort to these polling booths. If conveyance are not available, the only method is to have polling booths as near as possible. I am sure it will not be misunderstood that there should be polling booths in the home of every man or in the midst of 10 or 15 voters. That certanly will not be misunderstood like that. I have in my mind two polling areas in the Vadakkancheri constituency

*Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Member.

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